

Residue Management - Seasonal

Conservation Practice Job Sheet

(Code 344)

Wyoming - Natural Resources Conservation Service

July 2003

For:	Farm #:
Field(s):	Tract #:
Designed By:	Approved By:
	Signature:
Date:	Date:

Definition

Managing the amount, orientation, and distribution of crop and other plant residues on the soil surface during part of the year, while growing crops in a clean-tilled seedbed.

Purposes	(check all	that apply)
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Reduce sheet and rill erosion.
Reduce wind erosion.
Reduce off-site transport of sediment, nutrients or pesticides.
Manage snow to increase plant available moisture.



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Condition where practice applies

This practice applies to all cropland and other land where crops are grown. This practice includes residue management methods practiced during part of the year from harvest until residue is buried by tillage for seedbed preparation.

General Specifications:

- 1. Residue should be uniformly distributed over the entire field.
- 2. Harvesting equipment should be capable of redistributing residues over at least 80 percent of the working width of the header.
- Unless specifically included in an IPM program in the High Plains Integrated Pest Management Guide, residues will not be burned.

Residue Management:

Crop	Percent of Residue to Maintain After Harvest	Time of Year for Residue Maintenance	
		Beginning	Ending

Questions concerning these specifications and/or crop substitutions shou	ld be directed to the
Natural Resources Conservation Service office at (phone)	_